

# public address

INFORMATION BULLETIN OF THE STUDENTS' SOCIETY

## How I made my first Union or THE UNION TODAY

Two McGill delegates attended the recent Waterloo Lutheran University conference on The Union: Today's Challenges, Tomorrow's Changes. The following is their unofficial report on what went on there.

Two types of students attend conferences: the active and the passive. A further subdivision may divide these into the socialites, or those who attend to have a good time, and the academics, or those who attend to discuss the topic at hand.

We went actively, to chew the fat. But we had a good time, too.

We arrived at Waterloo Lutheran University full of ambition to set the world on fire. "How do you do? I am Arson Welles", I said to the chap who met us at the station...

We arrived at Waterloo Lutheran University bubbling with enthusiastic idealism. I called my partner Froth, he called me Foam. The driver-host who drove us up from the station was enthusiastic, too. He merrily pointed out to us the nearest liquor commission. We all grinned. This was going to be a fun conference.

It is an unpleasant thing to be among the first delegates to arrive at a conference. You eventually succumb to boredom, trapped in a single place with no one to see. You ask yourself, "Am I the only one fool enough to come?" Time is spent sipping coffee in a deserted dining room or hunched up before a TV watching intelligent quiz shows.

Finally, the conference begins. You journey in to hear the President's opening remarks, not forgetting to bring along a full pen and a goodly stack of paper.

Now it may be argued that by and large the speeches of all university presidents are predictable. Dr. Velaume, however, saw fit to deviate from the norm. He gave an enlightening little lecture on campus ornithology.

We took a few cogent notes on the night owl and the blarney bluejay. And this was a conference on student unions?

### STEADY GAINS

Then after such an auspicious beginning, the conference swung into action. The careful planning which had gone into its organization started the

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# McGill's role at Expo

The External Affairs Department of the Student Council, anticipating an onslaught of students eager to see the World's Fair and our fair island, created an Expo Committee to explore all channels of possible activity.

The move was ratified by the Student Council on October 13th. The Committee, cooperating with the Interfraternity Council (IFC), the University Administration, and the Administration of the Student Council, began feasibility and practicability surveys on numerous projects which had been forwarded by the Committee. So far the following activities have been found to be possible.

1. A handbook "A Students' Guide to Montreal" will be published, fashioned after its European counterpart. Information on Montreal pubs, discotheques, restaurants, theatre, and scenic lookouts as well as maps of McGill and Montreal will be included.

2. A Student Lodgings Committee will attempt to secure inexpensive lodgings to protect the out-of-town student from wily landlords. The lodgings will be based upon an hostel-type turnover, however, students will be able to stay for longer periods as well.

3. A Directory of McGill students interested in students boarding in their homes for the summer

will be compiled for the Lodgings Committee to facilitate the job of finding accommodations.

4. Roaring "James McGill Onward", A McGill Reception Bureau will organize student tours, and will arrange student parties and entertainment. An office will be open in the Union throughout the summer months for use by the Expo Committee.

Expo has delegated all affairs concerning students to CUS and UGEQ. McGill has been working with these two organizations, especially on the "Students' Guide to Montreal". In conjunction with these projects CUS and UGEQ have launched plans for bringing over foreign students on charter flights with special group advantage. Both organizations intend to sell Expo passports, give city and Expo tours, and prepare booths for the Expo Youth Pavilion.

Applications are available at the S.C. office for those who are interested in working on these committees. Please return them as soon as possible.

Ed Figlarz

Marilyn Cooperman

McGill Expo Committee

## MCWA

The following is the schedule for the McGill Conference on World Affairs.

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

7.45 — Projection of Felix Greene's film: "China" (Lounge 327)

9.00 — Conference (Redpath Hall), Prof. Derk Bodde "The Communist Movement in the Perspective of Chinese History".

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10

3.15 — 5.00 Conference (Stephen Leacock Bldg., Room 26), Prof. Richard Solomon "Freedom and Discipline in China".

8.45 — Conference (Redpath Hall), Prof. Howard L. Boorman "The Chinese Power System".

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11

3.15 — 5.30 Panel Discussion (Redpath Hall), Prof. Robert Garry and Prof. David Crook (Foreign Languages Institute in Peking) on "The Achievements of the New China".

8.15 — Conference (Redpath Hall), Prof. Paul Lin China's View of the World: An Interpretation.

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

1.30 — 3.45 Film: "The East is Red". (PSCA)

4.00 — 5.30 Conference (Redpath Hall), Ambassador Chester A. Ronning "A Canadian Viewpoint on China".



## The Film Society

# Silence, 35mm and education

The McGill Film Society is continuing its policy of bringing top films to the University audience again this year.

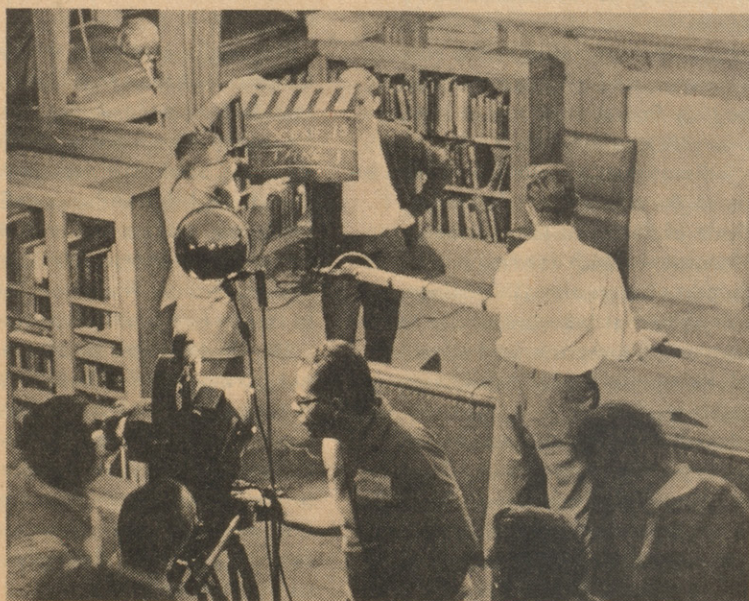
Its normal program of 16mm. films in the "International Series" will again be shown. These are films of note culled from the various major film-producing countries of the world. "Classics of the Silent Era", the works of such film-making pioneers as Fritz Lang and D. W. Griffiths, are also scheduled. In addition of these, a number of 35mm. movies will be offered.

Several 35mm. projectors have been put at the disposal of the McGill Film Society for this year only, courtesy of the Montreal Cinéma-thèque. To make room for this innovation, the experimental films, "Séries d'Essais", have been discontinued for this season.

junction with the ASUS, will present a Light Show or Psychodelic Cinema. Previous experiments of this nature, notably at Berkeley, have proved not unexciting to the participants. Lights, films, and music (most likely the "Sidetrack") will combine to form sensory effects which disorient the individual and produce a mild sensation similar to that produced by LSD.

Another innovation, sponsored by the Society, is the film library of shorts and several features, which will be available to the public and students shortly.

In keeping with the McGill Film Society's aim of presenting motions pictures as an art form, and in an attempt to encourage greater comprehension of the film



Scene from "Winter Kept Us Warm"

The use of the 35mm. projectors enables the Society to present unique films which are not normally available in 16mm. Moreover, the quality of reproduction of image and colour are far superior to that of the 16mm. film. This enables the viewer to more fully appreciate the artistic intent of it.

"The Exterminating Angel" by Luis Bunuel, and "Don Quixote" by G. Kozintoeu are two of the many fine films to be shown this year.

Two festivals are on top for this season. The Bogart festival, already shown, was met with great enthusiasm. Later in the year a presentation of the recent films of Alfred Hitchcock will be offered.

Towards the end of this month, the Society, in con-

medium, work is now continuing on the establishment of a Film School.

The basic aim of the School is to deal with the theory of the cinema as a means of communication, as well as to teach the basic techniques of film production. Mark Slade, director of the National Film Board's Summer Institute, and Arthur Lippsit, director of the National Film Board, will lecture at the School.

Members of the English department Professor Theall and Associate Professor Cecil, have been working closely with the Society in the development of the School. They view the enterprise as a pilot project, and may incorporate it into the curriculum of the department.



# The DAILY C

## The Daily

What's wrong with the McGill Daily?

Is the McGill Daily fulfilling its function honestly and to the best of its ability?

These are important questions relating to the role of a student paper on campus, and they are the kind of question the Managing Board must ask of itself every morning when we pick up the Daily.

The key to this year's dissatisfaction with the paper seems to centre around the theory of objectivity.

Here is what the Code of Ethics of the Canadian University Press, a document which formed a part of this year's policy statement, says along these lines. "The student journalist should strive continually to be unbiased and accurate in his reports, and should strive to equip himself adequately with facts to support his published statements."

Naturally, we work to achieve the goals mentioned in this part of our policy statement. If we did not state them in a context with which Council is familiar it is because we have found that no matter how hard we try we can never satisfy everyone of our readers as to the Daily's objectivity. All this simply because no two people see an event or a statement in exactly the same light. We had hoped that Council would understand this situation.

Mr. Aberman, for example, agreed during the course of the evening's discussion that his idea of objectivity was meaningless in terms of the production of a daily newspaper. However, he proceeded to vote against our policy. In a subsequent signed statement he said that we had not made "a full attempt to print both sides of the issue." What Mr. Aberman and the others who signed that statement are demanding is a power which the Daily is loath to accept — namely the right to think for other individuals and determine what others consider most important.

We have found that the only way to come any-

where near objectivity, and to do it consistently, is to use our own best judgment. We think it has worked to date.

The only instance of news coverage which the Council took time to criticize was the coverage of the last EUS open meeting. Mr. Segal said the people he represented were dissatisfied. As it turned out, the very next day two gentlemen whose job it is to distribute information on EUS events came to the Daily and told us that until that time they had never bothered to contact the Daily in advance concerning their activities. We immediately worked out a system to insure adequate coverage.

Mr. Segal, among others, stressed that we were not giving people their three cents' worth of objectivity, but he didn't tell us how a change in our policy statement could insure that everyone would be satisfied. He failed to indicate how placing the things in the paper we now leave out of it would not alienate a whole new group on campus, who would certainly deserve the rights of a "captive audience" as much as he.

Here is part of a report on council-newspaper relations submitted by the University of Alberta at the last CUS Congress:

Council might argue that since it pays out the majority of the money for the newspaper it should have some say in editorial policy, and should be able to hire and fire the editor. While we all agree that the campus needs a newspaper, and a newspaper needs money to operate, and in most cases the majority of the money comes from council, this hardly gives council any knowledge of how to run a newspaper... The political nature of their office, where they are constantly forming agreements of lobbying, does not permit them to look

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# Controversy

## The Council

On Wednesday, November 2nd, I presented a motion for consideration by the Student Council of this university, concerning the McGill Daily. It was the intention of this motion to change paragraph one, article ten, of the Daily constitution (as of Sept. 1964) which specifies the method of selection of the Managing Board. After almost two hours of debate the Student Council voted thirteen to four in favor of the motion, with two abstentions. As a result, the Managing Board of the Daily will henceforth be selected through Executive Application rather than by the previous Managing Board.

Those members of the Student Society who were present on Wednesday evening will recall that my main objection to the McGill Daily lay not in the information that has been published within its pages this (and last) year. Instead, my stand is based on that information which has been systematically and continuously excluded from this "campus newspaper", and to which the students of this university are entitled. I disagree strongly with the expressed opinion of the Managing Board, that it need not make a concerted effort to present as many sides to any given issue as possible. For two years, now, we have been treated to a consistent editorializing, extending beyond the editorial column, which presented only one side of such important issues as the war in Viet Nam, Communist China, etc. This is strongly resented in the Engineering Faculty which I represent on Council.

We have heard argument in Council that the motion I presented in Wednesday night will curb freedom of the press. I have been asked whether such action might be applied to the free press of this country as well. The underlying implication of such reasoning is to grant the Daily the status of the Montreal Gazette, La Presse, etc., and this reasoning is false. If the McGill Daily went on sale every day, in

competition with other newspapers, I would never have put forward my motion. However, students at McGill University are not free to opt out of purchasing the Daily. This newspaper has a captive audience and refuses to recognize that, for this reason, it has a stronger obligation to honor the desire of McGill students for a wider, more frank discussion of issues.

I consider it to be the right of the Daily editor, while serving his term in this office, to determine the policy of this paper without interference from any quarter. Only in a case of a direct infringement upon the Constitution of the Students Society should the student government act to curb his powers. This is a drastic move and, personally, I will neither lead nor participate in, a "let's get Sandy Gage" movement. I consider it our responsibility to allow the present Managing Board to complete its term in office. If the present Daily policy is not as we would like it, it is because we have allowed the selection of the Managing Board by a faulty "clique" system.

The crux of the Wednesday evening debate was as follows: Is it in the interest of the student body at McGill University for the editor of the Daily to be selected by two or three members of the previous year's Managing Board, whose deliberations need never be public, and whose decisions, for all practical purposes could not be opposed by the Student Society without loud cries from the aroused and vociferous fringe element of tampering with the freedom of the press? My contention is, considering the last two years, that the interest of the McGill student body (the publishers of the Daily) and full, frank discussion will both be achieved only if Daily editor's are selected, in open competition, on the basis of competence, experience and devotion to most

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## "TWO VERY STRONG EXPRESSOS"

"One Café au Lait".

The man at the next table was eating spaghetti. His girl, engrossed in "The Affairs of Laura" was burning a cigarette down to her fingers.

The HE sat down.

"Baby, you have lovely legs. By the way, I'm Frank."

"Obviously".

"What's a sweet girl like you doing in a place like this?"

"Eating — if they ever take my order".

"A third of the world goes to bed hungry every night".

"So join WUSC and feed them".

"Join what?"

"The World University Service of Canada. It's like Red Feather or CARE".

"No, doll. At the annual conference in Windsor last month they decided to change that image. That's not the philosophy of WUS. They want to recognize and strengthen the international university community. The welfare of the parts depends upon the whole. They're not strictly a charity organization".

"What's wrong with charity?"

"Nothing. But the policy of WUS is one of mutual aid, "entr'aide". That is, everyone, rich and poor, should receive in one way or another".

"What exactly is WUS?"

"It's an organization of universities into a world-wide community."

"Would you like to order now?"

"If not sooner".

"Wiener Snitzel, please".

"Cappucino".

"Wiener Snitzel is bad for your sex life".

"I'm immune".

"Not to sex, I hope".

"Getting back to WUSC".

"Let's not".

"Is there anything going on at McGill?"

"You wouldn't believe what's going on at McGill?"

"Seriously".

"This year they're concentrating on educational programmes and not fund-raising. Part of this study will focus on the tremendous changes taking place in developing areas.

They want McGill to become involved in the world structure. Our welfare is directly and irrevocably tied to that of every other university".

"When are their meeting?"

"I don't know. They're be an announcement in the Daily. Hey listen, chick. This friend of mine has an apartment and he's..."



# Volunteers for CUSO

A returned CUSO volunteer said, "You do not come to a country like Ghana with the dreamy-eyed optimism that you are going to do something tremendous and change things. You do not. You simply come here to do a job that needs doing. As for result, you don't expect anything dramatic. They may happen to surprise you."

In 1961, the year it was founded, CUSO sent 17 volunteers to underdeveloped nations to provide technical and professional assistance. Since then countless requests have been sent from host countries for such volunteers. Today over 400 volunteers are working in 30 countries throughout Asia, Africa, Latin America, and the Caribbean. Next year's objective is 1,000.

A CUSO volunteer is selected because he qualifies for a position a host country has

asked CUSO to fill. The host country pays local salary rates to the volunteers they hire, and if circumstances require it, CUSO can provide a salary supplement. CUSO volunteers, along with volunteers from other nations, are expected to live and work in approximately the same conditions as local people. Special accommodations such as hostels are provided as well.

Once volunteers are in the field, they operate with a minimum of supervision. Training classes, taken before the volunteer reaches the host country, give him a broad knowledge of the country's language and customs as well as general teaching skills. They remain in constant touch with CUSO's Ottawa office and local CUSO co-ordinator who provide guidance and support whenever needed.

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## The Daily

at such an agent of social change in any objective fashion. It is said by some that a council that picks fights with the newspaper is a council with nothing better to do.

We had also hoped that Council would note our emphasis on their good faith in us. To this end we have upped our advertising rates and percentages this year to give Council more money. We have cut down our budget from last year. We have published letters and articles by and about Council members. And some such information we have held back, at least until the proper time.

We had hoped Council would forget the events of last year and look at our paper with the same degree of objectivity they demand of us.

We are in a quandary. What more does Council want us to give them and you, our readership?

Sandy Gage,  
Editor-in-Chief

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## The Council

objective presentation of issues. This objective can be attained through the Executive Applications system

which has been accepted by the Student Society as sufficiently democratic to select the heads of major campus activities, other than those requiring elected officers. I would strongly urge that the previous Managing Board sit on the Executive Applications Committee which selects the candidate to be presented to Student Council, for ratification. They are entitled to do so under the Constitution.

Mr. Stephen Schechter, ASUS Representative and a member of the Daily Managing Board, said, in Council on Wednesday evening, that there are two cliques on campus: the McGill Daily and the Student Council. The latter, composed of students elected to represent their Faculties and the Editor of the McGill Daily, brought together for only one year as a council, can hardly be said to fulfill the criterion for a clique. I will be leaving Council when my term of office expires in January. It will be most gratifying to know at that time, that selection of the Daily editor will be to some measure in the hands of the elected representatives of his "captive audience", who, unlike the Managing Board, will make their deliberations public, can be brought before the Judicial Committee for censure, and can be removed from office by the next election of the Student Society.

Murray Segal,  
Engineering Rep./S.C.



# The Union Today

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machinery for fruitful discussion. A few rotten apples, a few gross lemons, — you know...

A speech given by Ernie Christianson of Manitoba elaborated on the political aspects of the student union, or the relationship between the union and other campus organizations. He said this was purely a matter of internal politics, and of how the union control the monies assigned to it via Students' Activity fees.

After Christianson's speech, the conference was broken up into discussion groups, and the ideas he had advanced were tossed around.

Here the major weakness in the structure of the conference was revealed. There proved little common basis for discussion between McGill and a college of 2,000 students which doesn't even own its own student union building. So discussion groups became merely forums for the propounding of the merits of each individual system.

After the first banquet, the conference adjourned for the evening, and delegates were left to do with themselves as the jolly well pleased. So they did. Around our hotel, several wild parties marked the beginning of the social conference.

The turnout at Saturday morning's breakfast wasn't very good.

Then the academic conference began again. Discussion continued throughout the morning, this time centred on student services, such as cafeterias and bookstores. As the day before, there was little fruitful discussion because of the diversity of colleges and universities represented.

A final session on student activities took place in

the afternoon, focussing mainly on bowling alleys and student social life. I developed a nervous tic in my right eyelid.

## IT SHOULD HAVE ENDED

At this point the conference should have dispersed. For all intents and purposes actual discussion had been concluded. But the socialites were not to be denied.

## STUDENT APATHY ON WANE

After a second banquet, we were plunged into another long night of revels. At one point the fire alarm rang for twenty minutes, disturbing the slumbers of those who had been nitty enough to take to their beds. But the revelers were on the whole an intellectual lot. One girl, dined and now wined, whispered to me in passing, "Nor ever ravished, except you chase me." I felt quite Donne in.

## ERGO

Conferences can be fun, but this does not preclude their being useful. The Waterloo Lutheran University Conference on Student Unions was both. A reasonable balance between the social and the academic was effected. To the uninitiated the conference might seem a mere debauch; but for us it was a lesson in worldliness. We were thrown together with some two hundred-odd (very odd) delegates and expected to benefit by the experience. This we did, as best we knew how.

by Greg King

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